## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 273**

## By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Raymond Hatfield of the Hawkins County School System on his selection as the 2009 Pathways Alternative School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy educator is Raymond Hatfield, who was recently selected as the 2009 Pathways Alternative School Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, the Hawkins County School System honored twenty teachers as 2009

Teachers of the Year for their respective schools; these teachers were recently honored at the Hawkins County School System Teacher of the Year banquet; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hatfield was selected by Pathways Alternative School as the Teacher of the Year, a true testament to his dedication to his students and to the impact he has had throughout his estimable teaching career; and

WHEREAS, Director of Schools Charlotte Britton described Raymond Hatfield and the other honored teachers as "the best of the best," stating that she admires the long hours each of the teachers devotes to the education of the children of Hawkins County; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Hatfield truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Raymond Hatfield of Pathways Alternative School on his selection as the 2009 Pathways Alternative School Teacher of the Year, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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